

Savannah Cotton Exchange (Chamber of Commerce)  
100 East Bay Street  
Savannah  
Chatham County  
Georgia

HABS No. GA-1194

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
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Washington, D.C. 20240

STATE Georgia	COUNTY Chatham	TOWN OR VICINITY Savannah
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Savannah Cotton Exchange		HABS NO. GA-1194
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Chamber of Commerce		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 100 East Bay Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1886	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) William G. Preston	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Important as physical expression of the importance of Georgia's cotton culture. Architecturally a good example of Eclectic/Late Victorian motifs. Architect Preston active in Savannah during the 1880's and 1890's. Building rated "Exceptional" in Historic Savannah Foundation Survey. Integral part of Savannah National Register Historic District.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Eclectic/Late Victorian		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick and terra cotta; iron, copper and wood trim		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular; 3-double-bay front; 3 stories above bridge on Factor's Walk side, 6 stories in rear on River St. side; hipped roof with dome.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Parapet with pediment and balustrade; first two floors with pilasters and entablature; central bay arched; third floor similar to an attic story; Pilaster capitals and relief sculpture are brick and terra cotta; oversize double entrance doors; "bridge" to main facade has elaborate wrought iron railings; name of building on frieze above pilasters.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Arts and Crafts woodwork, particularly notable staircase and first floor fireplace		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Used as Chamber of Commerce offices in 1966; present use and condition unknown.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Linley, John. <u>The Georgia Catalog, Historic American Buildings Survey.</u> 1982. Historic Savannah Foundation. <u>Historic Savannah.</u> 1968. Located in Savannah National Register Historic District.		
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